

- 23. A method of reducing HIV infection or expression in normal human monocytes comprising contacting said monocytes with an effective amount of an anti-CD44 antibody.
- 24. A method of effecting post HIV exposure prophylaxis therapy comprising administering to an individual in need of such therapy an effective amount of an anti-CD44 antibody.--

## REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing amendments are respectfully requested.

New claims 21-24 find support at pages 29 and 30 of the application.

An early and favorable Action on the merits is awaited.

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